

STATE OF NEW YORK
LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY
BUFFALO, N.Y., JULY 10TH, 2014 A.D.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, *That at a regular session of the Legislature of Erie County, held in the County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, on the 10th day of July, 2014 A.D., a resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:*

WHEREAS, *The Erie County Legislature seeks to honor individuals and institutions of Erie County who enhance the quality of life in the community through their efforts; and*

WHEREAS, *Staff Sergeant Timothy Payne served his country and suffered grave injuries on July 3, 2011 while deployed during Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan; and*

WHEREAS, *Staff Sergeant Timothy Payne enlisted in the U. S. Army in December, 2003 and in December, 2010 volunteered to join the 10th Mountain Division at Ft Drum; and*

WHEREAS, *Staff Sergeant Timothy Payne had a passion to serve his country as an exceptional soldier and in recognition of his heroism was awarded the Purple Heart in July, 2011; and*

WHEREAS, *Staff Sergeant Timothy Payne's three brothers, Brian, Steven, and Andrew all have served in their country's armed forces and his wife, Kate, and his parents, Douglas Payne and Shirley Stanton, have supported the family's sacrifice; and*

WHEREAS, *Staff Sergeant Timothy Payne is an inspiration to those who have met him, including our nation's President and his Royal Highness Prince Harry of England, working with other wounded soldiers to provide comfort and inspiration.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, *the Erie County Legislature pauses in its deliberations to recognize and acknowledge Staff Sergeant Timothy Payne's service and sacrifice.*

Joseph C. Lorigo
Erie County Legislator-District 10

Scott W. Kroll
Clerk- Erie County Legislature